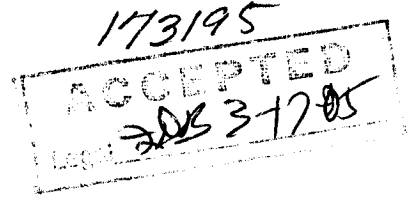


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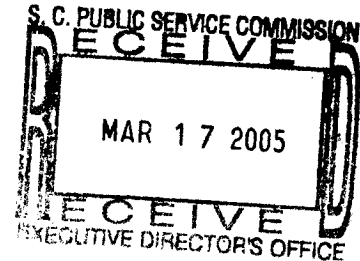
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Re: Hargray Telephone Company, Inc. and Bluffton Telephone Company, Inc.
Alternative Regulation Plan

Dear Mr. Terreni:

I am writing to respectfully request that the Commission take action on the Alternative Regulation Plan filed on behalf of Bluffton Telephone Company and Hargray Telephone Company on February 2, 2005, at the Commission's agenda session on March 22, 2005. The Plan, as filed, was scheduled to be effective March 4, 2005. We believe the Commission has before it all of the information needed to approve the plan under S.C. Code Ann. § 58-9-576. We have discussed the plan with the Office of Regulatory Staff and they have stated they do not oppose the Plan. We understand they intend to file a letter with the Commission stating such a position.

Thank you for your assistance.

Very truly yours,

M. John Bowen, Jr.

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